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### Aftermath of storm leaves county in a spin



RUN AGROUND: Dredger Arco Axe being rescued at Shoeburyness

REPAIRS are underway after Essex was struck by a severe storm on Monday. before 7am. The material where 1

Debris on the road slightly hindered ambulance crews during the early morning. A tree fell on a car on Poynters Lane, in Shoeburyness, injuring a man in his 60s just before 7am. The man was taken to Southend Hospital where his condition was not thought to be life threatening.

Between midnight and 4pm firefighters attended 214 incidents across the county, which included flooding, fallen power lines, fallen

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trees, unsafe structures and traffic accidents. Boats were blown off their moorings. A dredger at Shoeburyness had to be pulled from sandbanks by tugs.

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Four people died in other parts of the country.

# JAIL TERM FOR BANK ROBBER

A ROBBER has been sentenced to two years in prison for carrying out a bank raid.

Gary Horn, 56, walked into the Lloyds TSB in London Road, Westcliff, on August 19, 2013 and demanded cash. The cashier handed over notes amounting to just over £2,000. Horn had indicated to the

Horn had indicated to the cashier he was carrying a weapon.

Basildon Crown Court heard on Tuesday that Horn was unemployed and had turned to crime after suffering financial difficulties.

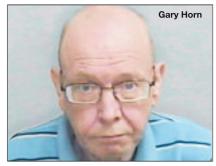
He was recognised by a member of the public following a police appeal for information.

Horn, of Hainault Avenue, Westcliff, appeared before the crown court for sentence having previously pleaded guilty to robbery.

Detectives welcomed his jailing.

Investigating officer, Dc Adam Maskell, of the Serious Organised Crime Unit, said: "Today's sentence which is one of immediate imprisonment, demonstrates that no matter how desperate your financial difficulties may seem, this kind of crime is never an option and will not be tolerated by the court regardless of previous good character.

"Essex Police would like to thank those members of the public who helped in identifying the offender so that he could be brought to justice."



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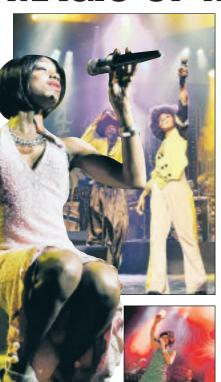
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An all-star cast, a talented live band that faithfully reproduces Motown's original Detroit sound, 16 sparkling costume changes and tightly choreographed dance routines make this is a must-see show for all Motown fans.

Michael Taylor, the show's producer, said: "This year is a very special one as far as Motown is concerned. It marks 50 years of number one hits from the world's favourite record label." To mark the occasion, The Magic of Motown is preparing to sign, seal and deliver its biggest production ever in its nine-year history.

For tickets and further informa

tion about the show, which starts at 8pm, call the box office on 01702 351135 or visit www.thecliffspavilion.co.uk www.easvtheatres.com

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## Glamorous boutique guest house scoops top tourism award



a gong at the Best of Essex tourism and hospitality awards. Boutique Hamilton's

Accommodation, at 6 Royal Terrace, won the best B&B award. John Hamilton said he was delighted the family-run establishment had been recognised.

Hamiltons is a Grade II-listed Georgian building situated in Southend's historic Royal Terrace, which overlooks the Thames estuary and the pier.

The awards ceremony was held at Boreham House, Chelmsford, on Wednesday.

Among the winners other were Marsh Farm Animal Adventure

and Hilary Hicks, of Chelmsford College. for Outstanding Contribution to Hospitality

Cllr Kevin Bentley, of Essex County Council, said: "I was absolutely thrilled to be able to play a part in honouring the best that our tourism and hospitality industry has to offer.

"This sector plays a key role in ensuring Essex has a vibrant economy. These awards pay tribute to the fantastic array of visitors' attractions, restaurants and hotels in Essex."

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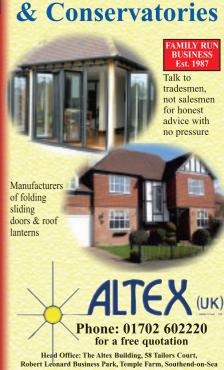


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## Henry, 79, bikes 100 miles > speedread



MEMORIES: Anthony Wooding was inspired by a teacher at Westcliff High School for Boys

#### **Recalling lessons** learned in Leigh

AN EX-STUDENT of Westcliff High School for Boys is hosting an exhibition inspired by his favourite teacher.

Anthony Wooding, formerly of Leigh, became interested in the writings and philosophy of native American thinkers during lessons with history teacher Georgie Whales in the early 1970s.

Despite now working as a senior lawyer in Ipswich, Mr Wooding, said he has never forgotten Mr Whales' lessons.

"He knew how to tell the story," he said. "Mr Whales explained what

had happened to the native Americans, the reasons why it had happened and the images associated with that."

Mr Wooding has produced a series of works, which are on show at Ipswich Town Hall until November 23

His exhibition, Lame Deer – Living in Symbols, explores the importance of symbols in the native American culture in a project of five paintings. He will talk about the

show on Wednesday, November 6, at 7pm. For information, go to www. ipswichrecreate.org

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HENRY Howard cycled 100 miles last Thursday - which is not bad going for a 79-vear-old from Southend.

It was all under cover, on an exercise bike in the local gym and took him from 11am to 9pm – with regular rests.

And it was all for charity, of course.

"I have been a keen cyclist most of my life, but I don't go out on the roads any more it is far too dangerous," said Henry, who lives in Rowan Walk, Eastwood. "I still go to the gym as often as I can, and the exercise bike is my favourite"

Henry was 11 when he was given his first bicycle – and loved it.

"No-one could have stopped me once I got on it. I used to ride for miles in the country.'

Henry is an old hand at charity static bike marathons, this is his eighth. "The latest one is for SPARKS, a children's charity, and in the past I have ridden for St Luke's Hospice, Macmillan Cancer care and breast cancer research. "I enjoy the challenge and doing it

for good causes.
"I pace myself properly, I usually pedal for three quarters of an hour and rest for a 15 minutes.

Henry had plenty of support from the staff at Rayleigh's Virgin Active leisure centre.





#### Said with flowers

MP and minister for armed forces Mark Francois has visited a poppy factory to see how the

evocative flowers are made. He toured the Richmond factory and spoke to staff.

"This visit was inspiring. Not only does the factory make the emblems by which we remember the sacrifices made so we can be free, but it provides employment for veterans and their families, including some who are disabled," he said.

#### **Bonfire fright**

FIREWORKS are distressing for

many pets, Dogs Trust warns.
The UK's largest dog welfare charity warns said it ends up taking in traumatised dogs which have run away at this time of year and some owners cannot be traced.

Owners are urged to prepare for Bonfire Night and Diwali to minimise the effect on their pets and ensure their dogs do not end up straying through fear.

For advice visit: www.dogs trust.org.uk/az/f/fireworks/

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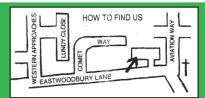


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**RUNNERS: Midnight against the clock** 

## Hospice midnight runners

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The valiant competitors came from all over Essex to take part in this new style running event.

At the stroke of midnight, runners came out of the warmth of Little Havens

Hospice to pit to face either a 10k hike or a gruelling 26.2 mile marathon.

The team of 14 ran around Leigh-on-Sea and along Southend seafront to Thorpe Bay, before heading back to the hospice for well deserved cups of tea and bacon sand-

The event raised £350 for Havens Hospices, which care for seriously ill children and adults from across Essex

Havens Hospices next running event is the Night Rush Run on November 16.

For more information and to sign up please visit www.havenshospices.org.uk.

### Police appeal after man is stabbed

POLICE are appealing for information after a forty four-year-old man was stabbed by two men near the junction of Hamlet Court Road and Anerley Road between 8pm and 9pm on October 15.

He received treatment at Southend Hospital for his injuries and is now recovering at home.

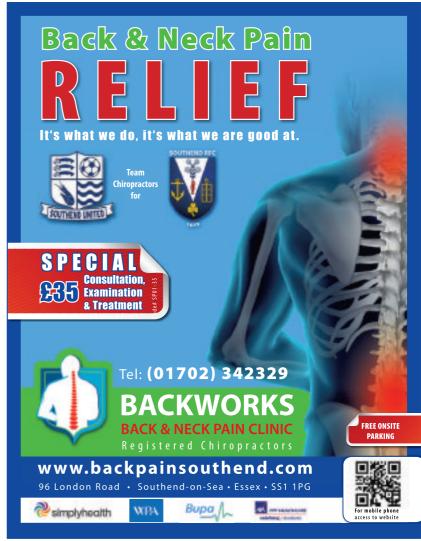
The first suspect is described as white, 5ft 6ins

to 5ft 9ins tall, aged in his early 20s, wearing a

blck hooded top with the hood up and a black scarf across his face.

The second was white, of slim build, shorter than 5ft 6ins tall, also aged in his early 20s, wearing a white hooded top and a black scarf across his face. Police are asking witnesses to contact Southend CID on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.









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## **Sky's the limit for Aimee**

### Men sought after power tool theft

POLICE would like to speak to two men captured on CCTV in connection with a theft from Homebase, in London Road, Southend.

Two men entered the store at just before 3.10pm on Wednesday, October 16, selected a power tool from the display, and without paying. Anyone who recognises these men, or who has

information is urged to contact Pc Chris Perry or his colleagues at Southend on 101. Alternatively, call independent charity Crimestoppers free and anonymously on 0800 555 111.





HIGH FLYER: Aimee Hall (right) came back to her old college to hand out some career advice

A FORMER Seevic College student came down to earth to show the heights you can reach.

Aimee Hall – now cabin crew with Easyjet – returned to the lecture room to tell travel and tourism students about her job.

The 19-year-old came back to the campus at Runnymede Chase, Benfleet, to share her flying experiences with would-

hying experiences with wondu-be cabin crew members.

Aimee said: "I've now been working for Easyjet for five-and-a-half months and it's been an amazing experience. People normally say they want to join

cabin crew to travel the world, but I wanted to offer great customer service in a completely

different environment.

"Having to deal with the unknown every day makes it a unique experience."

Her advice to wannabe stewards? "Learn to be patient with people... and get used to getting up early in the morning. Aimee successfully applied to

become a cabin attendant with Easyjet while still completing her Level 3 Extended Diploma in travel and tourism at Seevic College. She started training

with the airline at their base at London Luton Airport one week after completing her studies in June.

She is now based at London Gatwick, flying regular short-haul flights across Europe.

Seevic College's next open evening takes place on Tuesday November 26 between 5.30pm and 8pm.

To find out more about studying travel and tourism or cabin crew qualifications at the college, come along on the night, call 01268 756 111 or email info@seevic-college.ac.uk

### > speedread

#### Guitar boy, 16, 'headbutted'

headbutted by man in an alleged attack under the railway bridge in High Street, Southend, shortly after 5pm on October 12. Both individuals were said to

be carrying guitars at the time. Paramedics treated the boy at the scene for a facial injury.

A 31-year-old man from the town was arrested at the scene and is currently on police bail until Thursday, November 7, pending further enquiries.

Any witnesses to the alleged assault are urged to contact investigating officers at Southend police station on 101.

#### Biker is injured in road collision

minor injuries following a collision with a vehicle in Westcliff, police said.

The incident happened in Carlingford Drive, at the junction with Hillborough Road, at just before 9am on Friday, October 25. The collision involved a white Ford Fiesta and a silver Yamaha motorcycle.

The motorcyclist, a 46-yearold man from Leigh, was taken to Southend Hospital with minor injuries. Anyone with information is urged to contact Pc Ian Risden, or his colleagues at Southend, on 101.

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#### Excited pupils have a satellite phone call with Antarctic explorers



## A cold call we're glad to get

CLASSES took an adventurous turn with a visit from real-live explorers – and a satellite phone call with an intrepid Antarctic team on an expedition at the South Pole.

Spike Reid and Mark Waters,

Spike Reid and Mark Waters, who are part of the backroom team for an expedition called the Coldest Journey, dropped into Holt Farm Junior School, Rochford, to tell Year 6 pupils all about it.

During the session, youngsters were able to talk to the team at the

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South Pole by satellite – and hear exactly what it was like to be in minus-80C temperatures and in almost permanent darkness.

Mark and Spike are both involved in the educational side of the project, enthusing pupils about the epic adventure.

Assistant headteacher Lucy Wass, who organised the event as part of

the class's Weather and Climate studies, said: "'It was a very exciting for pupils to welcome famous explorers who were able to describe conditions through their first-hand experience. They talked to the youngsters and held workshops to give them an invaluable insight into the weather and climate there."

The Coldest Journey is a 2,000-

The Coldest Journey is a 2,000-mile expedition across Antarctica. It is a journey that has for many years been considered too perilous

to undertake. Pupils learned that the expedition's five-man 'Ice Team' will have to overcome one of earth's most hostile environments if they are to succeed.

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Yvonne Harri, badminton 2012 Respect Award (sponsored by Affinity 1777): Rochford, Danny Cowley, athletics, football

and others; Castle Point, The Deanes School ■ Rochford Council Chairman's Award (sponsored by Rochford District Council):

Christopher Lucas Castle Point Borough Council Mayor's Award (sponsored by Castle Point Borough Council): Bryn Gillard

#### **By Pat Higgins**

southend@yellowad.co.uk

OLYMPIC bronze medallist Chloe Rogers made an inspirational speech at the Rochford and Castle Point Sports Awards.

The GB women's hockey player, who did so well in the 2012 games, handed out prizes at last Tuesday's ceremony.

Diver Oliver Dingley, who took gold and silver for springboard in this year's British Gas national championships, was voted sports personality of the year for Rochford, while Jessica Judd took the title for Castle Point for her athletic prowess.

Young sports personalities of the year were Harrison King for Rochford for athletics and



BASKETBALL WHIZZ: Disability sports personality of the year Freya Levy with category sponsor Jeff Stanton of Waters & Stanton Plc after the sports awards ceremony

#### Freya and friends praised by Olympic medalist at awards

rugby, and gymnast Brinn Bean for Castle Point.

Wheelchair basket ball wizard Freya Levy was awarded disability sports personality of the year for Rochford, with swimmer Kieran Neary taking the title for Castle Point.

"It's great to be part of Sports Awards evenings like this. As an athlete, being acknowledged by your local community for all the hard work and dedication you have put into a sport helps motivate you to want to make them proud and achieve even more," Chloe said in her speech.

of Rochford Chairman District Council Mrs Barbara Wilkins, added: "Award evenings are amongst my favourite events. I would like to thank all the winners, for putting us on the map with their high achievements in sport"

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### Opinion and readers' letters

#### Living on borrowed money

I FEEL quite complimented by Fred Nicholson (YA October 25) who denigrates and misquotes both me and J M Reynes, the most famous economist of the 20th century

If he is a student of economics I suspect he favours Reagan's and Thatcher's preference, the quaint 18th century Adam Smith, advocate of free markets and privatisation.

However, I find he agrees with much that I wrote. Too little of the nation's currency is in the hands of the needy resulting in diminished demand, lesser supply, unem-ployment, restricted enterprise and a crippled economy.

We are living on borrowed money with present monthly deficit of £11billion. Most of our national assets have been sold off, the proceeds spent, necessitating that we must cut expenditure and increase income. Increased income mainly comes from taxation, not only of the wealthy.

I do not object to increased free pay and feel it should be £13,500 for it is immoral for any government to determine a minimum wage and then take a cut by way of PAYE and NHI contributions.

However, I do not think I and other taxpayers should benefit

and tax rates should be increased to eradicate the vote catching benefit.

You can't get blood out of a stone and if necessary we must look to the wealthy and reinstate the 60 per cent top tax rate that persisted for nine of Thatcher's 13 years.

Les Harrington,

Benfleet.

#### A matter of animal welfare

IN response to Lennie Du Toit, and his comments on the opposing of a Halal butcher, his comments in turn dismayed

Sadly, Mr Du Toit and his sympathisers will always resort to using the word 'racist' in order to stifle legitimate debate, and this in itself runs contrary to our democratic right of free speech. The signing of a petition is a relatively sensitive way to probe such an issue; how it can be compared to the rough-andready tactics of the EDL, is beyond me!!! And since when can the mere signing of a peti-tion be described as 'hysteria'?!?! It appears the only 'hysteria' is in the wording of

Mr. Du Toit's letter, poor chap! The issue of Halal meat is indeed a legitimate concern to many people, particularly considering the means of slaugh-ter involved and possible additional stress caused to the animal due to live slaughter.

Whilst Mr. Du Toit attempts to transform this issue into a religious and racially sensitive issue, he quite conveniently disregards the animal welfare aspect. The RSPCA, a body not known for it's racist qualities, is itself opposed to Halal slaughter, and has been consistently lobbying successive Governments for action on this matter. (For those who are not aware, Halal slaughter involves cutting the throat of a live, conscious animal, as opposed to the traditional manner of rendering the animal unconscious by stunning prior to the slaughter.)

Perhaps Mr. Du Toit is of the opinion that we wholeheartedembrace the traditions of all other cultures without question only in order that we don't appear 'racist'? Sharia Law, Mr. Du Toit?

My dismay comes that only a thousand people bothered to sign this petition, and I feel that it is a sign of the times that people have no regard for the welfare of the meat on their plate, so long as the price

Steve Lydon

#### Mystery of missing rubber bands

YOUR correspondent, David

Hurrell {That name rings a bell, (as the man said when my daughter took up campanology.)} bewails the demise of the red rubber band.

There is more to this than the likes of him are aware of. The superior red bands have been requisitioned by the Green Energy Brigade for dri-ving wind turbines during calm weather.

This will enable the generators to constantly operate at full stretch, so to speak.

Ron Hurrell Hadleigh Park Ave

#### Good for jobs, bad for cleaner air

FOR those for whom environment is more important than industry, it's sad that the plants at Grangemouth are to re-open. The last week of closure has seen a remarkable improvement in air quality in the area.

Surely the Green Agenda would be to move these polluting activities to poorer countries and re-use the land for

building call centres - the staffing of which Scottish workers seem to be particularly well suited and able to compete on price and quality with the likes of India.

In fact, why not a swap? John Eoin Douglas

#### **Growth has** to be a priority

AS London's economy recovers, the primary focus must be on creating more jobs and boosting growth. That's why an agreement on a comprehensive trade deal between the EU and Canada that will boost the UK economy by £1.3 billion is timely.

By negotiating as the world's largest trading bloc, the EU has been able to secure impor-tant concessions. Half of the gains in economic growth from the trade deal will go to the services sector, which is a big boost for London's important financial services sector, as well as for east London's Tech City, which receives a

large amount of external investment from Canada.

British exports to Canada are also expected to grow by almost a third with London businesses benefiting from improved access to the

Canadian market.
This landmark European agreement with Canada is a forerunner to the ultimate prize of an EU-US trade deal that would be worth £2 billion to London's economy alone. Yet UKIP and many Tories argue we should turn our back on the EU and its trade agree-ments worth billions of pounds to the UK economy to focus on trade with the

Commonwealth.
But the EU already rightly has trade agreements with a host of Commonwealth coun-

tries!
The truth is that leaving the EU would jeopardise our trade with both Europe and the rest of the world. Liberal Democrats believe our focus should be on creating jobs by building a more open and competitive EU, not putting them at risk by pulling out.

Baroness Sarah Ludford

Liberal Democrat MEP for London

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### Bang up-to-date advice for a safe fireworks party



FIREFIGHTERS have issued safety advice

for Guy Fawkes home firework parties.
Divisional Officer Neil Fenwick, community safety officer for Essex Fire and Rescue Service, said all fireworks should be purchased from reputable shops.

He also said to follow the Firework Code, which states:

- Only buy fireworks marked (British Standard) BS 7114.
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fire-
- Always keep fireworks in a closed nonflammable box.
- Keep pets indoors.

- Follow the instructions on each firework.
- Light them at arm's length, using a taper.
- Stand well back.

• Never go near a firework that has been lit - even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode, causing injury.

- Never put fireworks in your pocket and never throw them.
- Supervise children.
- Always light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- Never give sparklers to a child under
- Don't use noisy fireworks late at night, and never after 11pm.



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## Top cop's USA run for Kirste and Isabella



# He's a star in New York

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DCC Derek Benson will tackle the 26.2 mile course on November 3 in the hope of raising hun-dreds of pounds for the Breast Cancer Campaign and Isabella's Fund. He is supporting the Breast Cancer Campaign in memory of former colleague Sgt Kirste Snellgrove, who bat-tled the disease for almost seven years by sadly passed away at the age of just 42 in February 2012.

During that time she raised more than £50,000 for breast £50,000 for cancer charities by 23 running

marathons. Mr Benson said: "I used to spend quite a lot of time chatting with Kirste and we used to talk about running and football. I had mentioned this thought of doing another marathon to her and she set me the

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challenge. She was an inspiration. When you heard that she was still running marathons even though you knew she must have been suffering, I thought there is no excuse for me not to do it. I have had other friends who have died due to cancer so I know how important it is to fund research."

The second good cause for which Mr

s raising Isabella's money, Fund, also has a close connection to the force. Isabella's parents are both Essex police officers and need to raise money to pay for her on-going treatment for a rare chromosome disorder that is so unusual it doesn't yet have a name.

Her disorder means she was born with two fers severe epilepsy and is registered blind.

Anyone wishing to donate to either of the two charities can visit Mr Benson's page at www.justgiving.com/ Derek-Benson1 give money to the Breast Cancer Campaign and visit the Isabella's Fund website to make a donation for her at www.isabellasfund.com

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Its first special concert last November was a sell out. The choir will raise money for Equip4Care, a local charity which helps dementia sufferers and their families.

The concert will welcome back last year's soloist, Rachel Pitcher and Southend Young Singers for the first time. It will feature a variety of songs and genres with an emphasis on nostalgia and remembrance.

Tickets at £7.50 (£5 for under 18s) are available on equipforcare@gmail.com or by calling 01702 547315.

#### **Burglars bag jewellery**

THIEVES made off with a haul of jewellery after they broke into a house in Prestwood Drive, Benfleet.

They smashed a rear door window to get into the property, between 9.15am and 9.15pm on October 25.

Police are appealing for anyone with information to contact Pc Jon Holland at Southend CID on 101.

#### Volunteers' AGM

CASTLE Point Association of Voluntary Services (CAVS) will be holding its 18th annual general meeting on Thursday, November 21, at Waterside Farm Leisure Centre, Canvey Island.

The meeting, which will be held between 11am and 2pm, will hear about 'The Silver Line - Helpline for Older People' and 'Community Resilience'.

A buffet lunch will be served at after the meeting's formalities, and guests will be offered a guided tour of the newly refurbished leisure centre.

#### Canvey is tinsel town

SHOPS and businesses will be getting all lit up for Christmas to take part in Canvey Island Town Council's third seasonal Christmas decoration contest.

"We want as many businesses as possible to be involved to promote community spirit on the island," said Doreen Anderson, who chairs the council.

It competition is free to enter and application forms should be returned with a photo of the shop window by Friday December 6. Knightswick Shopping Centre is putting up the £100 prize.

Phone the council on 01268 68398 for information and for an application form, or visit www.canveyisland.gov.uk.

#### Open spaces meeting

**CANVEY Island Town Council's** environment and open spaces committee meets on Monday November 4.

The meeting is due to start at 7.30pm in Hall Three at the Paddocks Community centre in Long Road in the town.

#### Choir's special concert Death risk for patients, say experts

PATIENTS at a hospital face an 'elevated risk' of harm or death, a new report has concluded. High mortality rates and potential harm to patients at Basildon

Hospital were among 14 areas of concern identified by health

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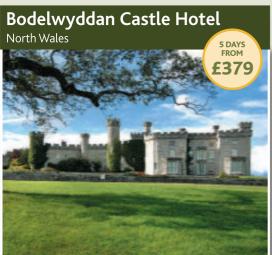
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Monday 8th – Friday 12th September 2014 £399 pp
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 Monday 4th – Friday 8th August 2014
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 Monday 27th – Friday 31st October 2014
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Corton is sandwiched between the beautiful English coast and the rambling waterways of the Norfolk Broads. All bedrooms are en-suite chalets and located around the resort which has many indoor and outdoor facilities including heated indoor swimming pool, live nightly entertainment, short mat bowls, outdoor bowls green and putting green.

Monday 4th – Friday 8th November 2013 - Turkey & Tinsel Break	£299 pp
Monday 3rd – Friday 7th February 2014	£279 pp
Monday 14th – Friday 18th April 2014	£305 pp
Monday 12th – Friday 16th May 2014	£315 pp
Monday 2nd – Friday 6th June 2014	£325 pp
Monday 16th – Friday 20th June 2014	£329 pp
Monday 14th – Friday 18th July 2014	£329 pp
Monday 11th – Friday 15th August 2014	£329 pp
Monday 20th – Friday 24th October 2014	£309 pp
Monday 10th - Friday 14th November 2014 - Turkey & Tinsel	£309 pp

Monday 15th - Friday 19th December 2014

Turkey & Tinsel Drinks All Inclusive £335 pp (£25 per person Beach Garden Chalet Upgrade subject to availability)

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Monday 4th - Friday 8th November 2013 - Turkey & Tinsel Break £329 pp Monday 23rd - Saturday 28th December 2013

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The money will be pooled with £8,000 pledged by the Wickford Memorial Association. The space, which was created in memory of Wickford civilians who died in World War II, will be renamed the 'Home Front Garden'.

Councillor Kevin Blake, cabinet member for leisure, said: "I am delighted the people of Wickford who sacrificed their lives during the Second World War are going to have this garden as a living tribute."

#### Big project at hospice

HOSPICE users will soon be able to use a therapy, assessment and support centre. Work has commenced on the development

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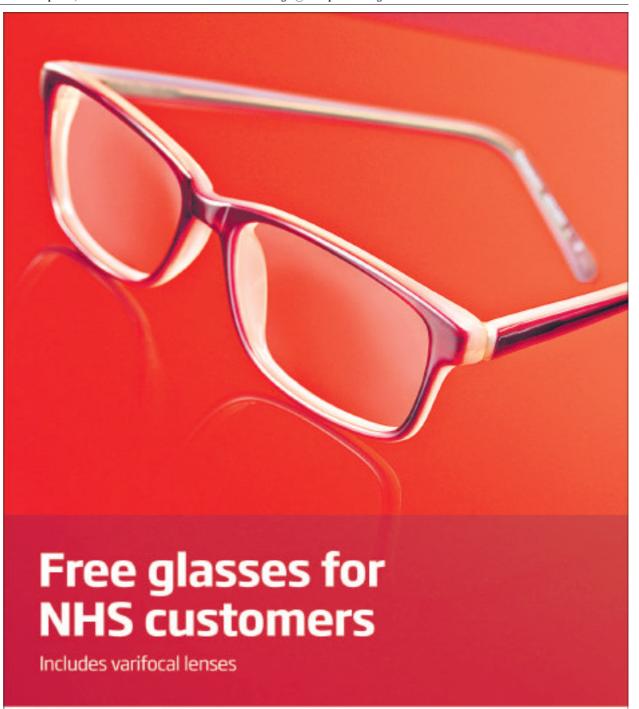
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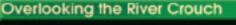


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# Towngate welcomes two icons

WO LEGENDARY performers are not to be missed at Basildon's Towngate Theatre this November.

While the pair have several similarities, including the fact they were both born in East London, they have both enjoyed careers spanning several decades and they can equally belt out a song or two, the appearances by Des O'Connor and Kenny Lynch couldn't be any different. While much-loved entertainer, Des

O'Connor, will be appearing in his one man show, talented crooner, Kenny, will be taking to the stage alongside the UK's number one Rat Pack tribute act.

Entertainer and comedian Des will be at the theatre on Tuesday, November 5, for an

evening full of laughter, song and music. The multi-million record selling artist will entertain the crowd with his wit, style and charm as he sings, jokes and recounts wonderful tales of life in show business. And, having starred in his own mainstream television show for more than 45 years – longer than anyone else anywhere in the world – I'm sure he has more than a tale or two to tell.

After appearing in variety all over the country and then landing his first television series in the UK in 1963, Des has become a household name during a career that has spanned more than 50 years and just keeps on aoina

In recent years Des - who is one of only a handful of British entertainers to be internationally acclaimed on stage and television,

**LIZ WADE looks at two veteran entertainers** who will be performing at Basildon's **Towngate Theatre next month** 

and was awarded the CBE for his services to Entertainment and Broadcasting in the 2008 Queen's Birthday Honours List - completed a sensational three month season in the hit West End musical, Dreamboats and Petticoats at the Playhouse Theatre. Last year he then took over the iconic role of The Wizard in The Wizard of Oz at the London

Palladium for five months.
While continuing in theatres this year, as part of a tour of selected UK venues including Basildon's Towngate Theatre, Des is also working on his 37th album. Co-writing with Alan Hawkshaw, who has worked with the likes of Elvis and Barbra Streisand, the album is due to be released later this year and follows Des' previous album, Inspired, which was released in 2008 and included 18 songs co-written by Des and Hawkshaw. Another of the UK's busiest and most

popular entertainers, Kenny Lynch, will also be appearing at Towngate Theatre on Wednesday, November 13, when he joins the UK's number one Rat Pack tribute act for an evening to remember.

Kenny, himself no stranger to chart-topping hits, has also become one of the UK's busiest and most popular entertainers over the past five decades, also regularly appeared in many variety shows in the 1960's, and received his own honour - an



OBE in 1971

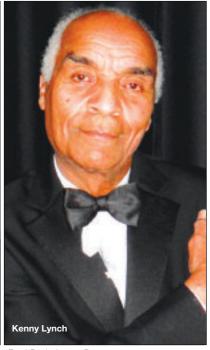
Saying it is always a pleasure coming to Basildon, as he has many old friends in the area, Kenny added: "We always had such a great time in Basildon. The people are fantastic and never forget you.

"When I did a show here a few years ago people came backstage to remind me about the times I played there in the 70's with Jimmy Tarbuck.

"I have told the Rat Pack guys that after the show I will take them to some of the bars that I used to visit back then

David Alacey's outstanding show 'The Rat Pack' which is Britain's longest running tribute to the original trio accurately recreates the legendary performances of Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jnr and Dean Martin,

David, whose television appearances have included Lovejoy, will be opening the Christmas show in Basildon as Frank, and will be joined by The One Show presenter and former Eastenders star, Des Coleman, as Sammy and BBC Musician of the Year



Paul Drakeley as Dean Des Coleman said: "It's an honour to be working and learning from Kenny on this tour and we have a great time on the road together. He says that this tour reminds him of the times he spent tour with Jimmy Tarbuck and Sir Bruce Forsyth as a sort of British version of the Rat Pack in the seventies and prior to that he actually toured with

the Beatles in the sixties – what a career!" The show will also feature BBC Musical Director Don Hunt with his acclaimed band and the stunning Silverbell showgirls and include favourite hits such as 'My Way', 'Mr Bojangles', and 'Fly Me To The Moon' as well as seasonal classics such as 'Winter Wonderland,' 'Let It Snow' and of course 'White Christmas'

\*For further information and tickets for An Evening With Des O'Connor at 7.30pm on Tuesday, November 5, and The Rat Pack at 7.30pm on Wednesday, November 13, call the Box Office on 01268 4654654 or visit www.towngatetheatre.co.uk





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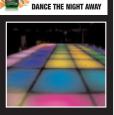
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It's a compelling performance of deep emotion based on a true story that deftly tugs the heartstrings without resorting to emotional manipulation or cloying sentiment.

Dench is complemented by Steve Coogan as a cynical and worldweary journalist, who initially scoffs at the suggestion that he should pen an article about the matriarch and her heartbreaking ordeal.

"Human interest stories are a euphemism for stories about weakminded, ignorant people," he pro-claims dismissively.

The tender and unexpectedly touching relationship that forms between these two characters from different generations and backgrounds provides Stephen Frears's uplifting film with its emotional thrust, as the search for answers

moves between continents.

Coogan's script, co-written by Jeff Pope, is lean and peppered with earthy humour, whether it be the much abused heroine reliving the ecstasy of her first sexual experience or her encouraging the journal-ist to jump into the back seat of a rental car.

"There's plenty of room. It's a Vauxhall Cavalier," she trills.

The incredible road trip begins when Jane Lee (Anna Maxwell Martin) discovers her mother Philomena (Dench) fell pregnant as a teenager in 1952 Ireland and was forced to give up the baby to the sisters at Roscrea Abbey. Jane pitches the story to former Labour advisor turned BBC journalist Martin Sixsmith (Coogan).

After a reality check from his wife Kate (Simone Lahbib), Martin agrees to help Philomena track down her

boy.
"I'd like to know if he thought of me," Philomena tells Martin. "I've thought of him every day."
"This his connections, Martin

Using his connections, Martin takes Philomena to Washington DC to sift through official documents,

hoping for a breakthrough to reunite the old woman with the son she never wanted to give up.
Throughout, Philomena clings to

her faith, lighting a candle for her child. However, Martin cannot con-ceal his contempt for religion, telling Philomena, "It's the Catholic Church that should be going to confession,

not you!"
Directed with a light and assured touch by Frears, Philomena celebrates the power of hope to heal

old wounds.

Dench is magnificent and Coogan jettisons most of his Alan Partridge tics in support, gradually warming to Philomena and her upbeat outlook on life.
"Just because you're in first class

doesn't mean you're a first class person," she tells him during a long haul flight in economy class.

Tears flow freely as the epony

mous heroine discovers the fate of her boy, seizing upon every nugget of information, no matter how banal, as if she had just won the lottery.

We certainly strike it very lucky with Frears's wonderful picture.

Released: November I

## Thor point as thunder god returns

Thor: The Dark World (12A, 112 mins)

ARVEL Comics hero Thor (Chris Hemsworth), who headlined his own film in 2011 then swung his mighty hammer in last year's summer blockbuster The Avengers, returns to save mankind in this big budget sequel directed by Alan Taylor.

A year has passed since Thor joined The Avengers in the valiant fight to save Earth. The crown prince of Asgard faces a primal race called the Malekith, which intends to destroy the Nine Realms of Norse mythology. Odin (Sir Anthony Hopkins) and the combined forces of Asgard are unable to repel the onslaught so Thor descends back to terra firma and reunites with his sweetheart, astrophysicist Jane Foster (Natalie Portman), who he abandoned at the end of the first film.

Apologies out of the way, Thor

and Jane embark on a perilous road to defeat the Malekith and unthinkably, Thor must rebuild bridges with his nefarious adoptive brother, Loki (Tom Hiddleston), who could be the difference between hard-fought victory and crushing defeat.

Released October 30



# YA features reporter Liz Wade goes out and about with her boys

NJOY fireworks safely this year by going to one of the many professionally staged events throughout the area.

Here are just some of those tak

ing place across the borough where you can 'ooh' and 'ahh' to vour hearts content.

- Romford and Gidea Park Rugby Club, in Crow Lane, Romford, will host a display on Friday, November 1. Gates open at 5pm and attractions include food stalls, barbecue and rides, an Amy Winehouse trib-ute act, a firework display started by cast members from TOWIE, and a live band in the clubhouse. Advance tickets, available from the clubhouse or by calling 01708 700521 or visiting http://buytickets.at/romfordgideaparkrfc, cost £6 for adults, £5 for children and OAP's, and £15 for families of two adults and up to three children. Tickets on the gate cost £8 for adults, £5 for children and OAP's and £20 for families.
- Belchamps Community Firework Display and Bonfire will be held at Belchamps Scout Activity Centre, in Holyoak Lane, Hawkwell, on Saturday, November 2. There will be entertainment, inflatables, refreshments, games, stalls, food stands, a firework display and huge bonfire. Advance tickets, sold before noon on the day, cost £4.50 for adults, £3.50 for children aged three to 15 (free for under three's), while tickets on the gate cost 50p extra.

## Light up the sky

For further information and tickets call 01702 562690 or email info@belchamps.org.uk

- The Big Beach Bang at Shoebury East Beach will take place on Saturday, November 2. Gates open at 6pm and the firework display starts at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £5 in advance and £6 on the gate. The event, organised by Southend Round Table 106, raises money for local charities. For further information and tickets visit www.bigbeachbang.com
- Free Firework Spectaculars will be taking place on Southend Seafront at 7.30pm every Saturday up until November 9. For further information visit www.visi southend.co.uk
- A Guy Fawkes Festival will be taking place at the Royal Gunpowder Mills, in Waltham Abbey, on Saturday and Sunday, November 2 and 3. Learn about 17th century life, meet the ghost of Guy Fawkes, enjoy fairground rides and a theatre production, take part in craft activities and celebrate with

a 15 minute firework finale each night at 7pm, created by one of the country's leading firework display companies. For further information and admission prices visit www.royalgunpowdermills.com

- Billericay Charity Fireworks
   Spectacular will take place on Saturday, November 2, at Lake Meadows Park, Billericay. The event, which starts at 5.30pm, includes a torchlight procession, the lighting of the bonfire, the Heart Roadshow with Martin and Su, and a £21,000 fireworks grand finale at 8pm.
  Billericay Round Table is hosting the annual event to raise money for local groups, voluntary associations, charities and individual worthy causes. Tickets cost £6 for adults and £4 for children and senior citizens in advance, or £4.50 or £6.50 on the gate (free for children aged four an under). For further information visit www.billericayfireworks.co.uk
- Basildon Round Table will be hosting a fireworks display at Northlands Park, Felmores Road, Basildon, on Tuesday, November

5. The event, which runs from 6pm to 9pm, includes entertainment from Gateway 97.8 and live acts, and a firework display at 7.15pm. Tickets cost £5 in advance from their stall in Basildon Town Centre, adjacent to Primark, or £7 on the gate (free entry for under five's). For further information visit www.basildon.roundtable.co.uk

- Chelmsford Round Table will be hosting a display at Admirals Park, Chelmsford, on Saturday, November 2. Gates open at 6pm and there will be a food market, a fun fair, and extended entertainment until 9.30pm. For further information and tickets, which cost £6 for adults, £4 for children and £15 for families of two adults and two children, or one adult and three children (free for under five's), visit www.chelmsfordfireworks.com
- The Rotary Club of South Woodham Ferrers will be holding a Family Firework Display at, and in association with. Marsh Farm on Saturday, November 2. Gates for the event, which includes stage



entertainment, children's rides and farm animals, will open at 5.30pm. For further information and tickets, which cost  $\mathfrak{L}5$  each or  $\mathfrak{L}12$  for families in advance, or  $\mathfrak{L}7$  each or  $\mathfrak{L}15$  for families on the gate (under five's free) visit www.swfspectacular.co.uk

 Bonfire and Fireworks Displays will take place on Orsett Showground, in Rectory Road, on Sunday, November 3, and Tuesday, November 5. Gates to the event, which includes a funfair, open at 5.30pm on both days and the bonfire and fireworks display will start at approximately 7.30pm. Tickets are available on the gate for £6 each and £2 for children under five (OAP's free).

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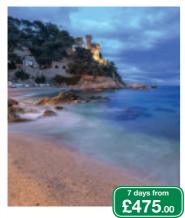
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#### Saturday, November 2

- Rayleigh History Walk, The National Trust, meet 3pm, Rayleigh Windmill, Bellingham Lane (off High Street), Rayleigh, £2 per person, further details Mike Stone 01268 775328.
   Yugioh Club, you can play and trade yugioh, 120 Southend Road, St
- yugion, 120 Southend Road, St Catherine's Church Hall, Wickford, SS11 8EB, there are mini tournaments, Saturdays 1.30-4.20pm. 07985 671289. Dad's and Kids Club, The Megacentre, Rayleigh, Saturdays 10.30am-1.30pm, free admission, games, activities, arts and crafts, for boys and girls 5-17 years with their fathers and father figures. 01268
- "Saturday Morning Club, St Michaels Church Hall, Leigh Road, every Saturday 10am-noon, entertainment provided by choirs, soloists, musicians, refreshments, admission free, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled. 01702 437863 Meeting, Brush Strokes Art Group, Highlands Methodist Church, Leigh, every Saturday 9.15am-12.15pm, new members welcome. 01277 627043.
- Different Strokes Exercise Class, St Peter's Church Hall, Eastbourne Grove, Southend, for those who have had a troke, every Saturday 2.30pm. 01702 65801. Jazz Workshop, Southend Jazz Co-op,
- Jazz Workshop, Southend Jazz Co-St Michael's Church Hall (rear car park entrance), Leigh Road/Mount Avenue, Leigh, every Saturday 10am-1pm, £5 per session (concessions available).

#### Sunday, November 3

■ Canvey Miniature Train Rides, Waterside Sports Centre, Somnes Avenue, Canvey, running every Sunday until 13 October, 10.30am-4pm, choice of two railways, steam and electric locos, adults and children £1 each ride, all welcome, weather permitting.

Trading Hut Open, The Hockley and
District Horticultural Society, every Sunday
10am-noon until end of October, for all
your gardening sundries, membership 23.

Jazz, Ron Spack's Dinner Jazz,

Westcliff Hotel, Westcliff, 1pm. 01702

- Sunday School, Get on Board (No Charge) at The Ark, Hadleigh Methodist Church, Chapel Lane, SS7 2PQ, every Sunday 11am-noon, age 3-10 years. 07585 601815 or 07967 913344.
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  Quaker Meeting for silent worship and meditation, Quaker Meeting House, Dundonald Drive, Leigh, Sundays 10.30-11.30am, followed by conversation over tea and biscuits, all welcome.

  King's Church Southend at Blenheim School, off Blenheim Chase, Leigh, every Sunday 10.30am-noon a church where
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- Sunday 10.30am-noon, a church where knowing Jesus makes all the difference. 01702 523639.

   King's Church Tarpots at St Mary's Church Hall, High Road, Benfleet, every Sunday 10.30am-12.30pm, church but not as you known it. 01268 750520.

   Greek Community of Southend and District, Church of St Barbara, St Phanourious and St Pauls, Salisbury Avenue, Westcliff, every Sunday 10am-noon. 01702 466435.

   Sunday Club, TGH Evangelical Church
- noon. U1702 466435.

  Sunday Club, TGH Evangelical Church, Kiln Road, Thundersley, (children 3-12 years), Bible stories, craft, singing, every Sunday 10.45-11.45am, no charge, further details 01702 554904.

  Mojo Friendship Club, Travellers Joy, Downhall Road, Rayleigh, 11.30am, meet weekly, open to all, details Mo on 07757 658799.

#### **Monday, November 4**

- Open Day, Shoebury Evangelical Church, West Road, 11am-4pm, exhibition of old photos and memorabilia. light refreshments served and paperback light refreshments served and paperback books and home-made cakes for sale, in conjunction with the West Road Fun Day.

  Senior Citizens Club, Benfleet's No 1 Club, Richmond Hall, Benfleet, meets Mondays 1.30-3.30pm, entertainment, all
- welcome.

  Southend Christian Counselling Service,
  do you need to talk, open to all, Mondays
  5.30-7.30pm and Thursdays 2-7.30pm,
  further details call our 24 hour answer
  machine 01702 335252 and we will get back to you.

  ■ Over 50's Keep-fit Classes, Fryerns
- Community Centre, Monday afternoons,

further details Pat 01268 770294 turther details Pat 01268 //0294.

Over 50's session, The Megacentre, 7
Brook Road, Rayleigh, 12.30pm-2.30pm badminton, 2pm-4pm table tennis, £3.60, includes refreshments and use of equipment, details 01268 779100.

■ Duplicate Bridge, Balmoral Bridge Club. ■ Duplicate Bridge, Balmoral Bridge Oil Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh (opposite Thames Drive), Mondays 1.15pm-4.30pm and Tuesday 7pm-10.30pm, call Vernon on 01702 343611 or Tony 01702 520993. ■ Duplicate Bridge, Thorpe Bay Bridge Club, 62 Southchurch Boulevard,

Club, 62 Southchurch Boulevard,
Southend, non-members of all standards
welcome, Mondays 2-4.45pm (no partner
needed), evenings 7.30-10.30pm, call
Danny 07843 771774.

Weekly Craft Workshop, St Peter's
Church Hall, Thundersley, Benfleet, every
Monday 6-8pm, further details Michelle
07730 582784.

Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic
Group, Mondays and Wednesdays 810pm, James Hornsby High School,
Leinster Road, Laindon, further details Jeff
Levy 07951 681582 or email

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Zumba, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Monday 9.15-10am. 01268 465432.

Beginners Computer Course, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Monday, 11am-1pm, 01268 465432.

Club 60, Floor 3, Queensway House, Essex Street, Southend, various activities every weekday, 9.30-4pm, tea bar, non-members welcome, £2 day pass, details 01702 613562.

Short Mat Bowls Club in Hadleigh, new Short Mat Bowls Club in Hadleign, new hall all mod/cons, 4 mats, Monday and Wednesday evenings welcomes new members, Canvey Short Mat Bowls Club, please ring Kevin on 01268 792433.

Short Mat Bowls, Monday/Tuesday afternoons in Thundersley, beginners welcome, details 01268 779174.

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Indoor Short Mat Bowls, Prittlewell
Bowls Club, Priory Park, Southend, two
mats available, with 5 day sessions,
Monday to Friday, new players welcome,
details Ray 01268 777666.

#### Tuesday, November 5

Club Night, Rayleigh Horticultural Society, St Michael's Church Hall, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, 8-10pm, talk by Maike Windhorst 'Vegetable self sufficiency in a changing climate admission £1 members, £2 nonmembers, includes tea/coffee and

members, includes tear-conec and biscuits.
■ Evening of Clairvoyance, St Cecilia's Christian Spiritualist Church, 9 Lord Roberts Avenue, Leigh, 7.15pm, £2, enquiries Anne 0.1702 556470.
■ Sall-Music The How at Anchor Folk

Folk Music, The Hoy at Anchor Folk Club, Royal British Legion, 7/9 Northview Drive, Westcliff, 'Steve Tilston', 8pm. 01702 715111.

Tea Dance, Ashingdon Memorial Hall, Ashingdon Road, Rochford, ballroom, Latin and sequence, every Tuesday 2-4pm. 01702 584575.

Health Walk, Salvation Army, Hadleigh, 10.30am, meet Castle Lane car park, Hadleigh, every Tuesday, details 01702 318121.

■ Scrabble Club, The Hockley & Hawkwell 55+ Social Centre Southend Hawkwell 554 Social Centre's Southend Road (In car park behind library), every Tuesday 6.30-10pm, first two visits free, also second Saturday of each month 2-5pm. 01702 205910.

Meeting, Ladies Fellowship at the Salvation Army in Hadleigh, Tuesdays

Salvauori Arriy in Hadiegiri, luesdays 7,30pm, any age, good speakers, chatter nights, outings, meals out and summer walks, 50p per week or annual subscription, just come along or call 01702 551470.

Exercise Class for people with breathing difficultions run by 19 moths. Envi. part of

difficulties, run by 'Breathe Easy' part of the British Lung Foundation, Ambleside Sports and Social Club, Ambleside Drive

Sports and Social Club, Ambieside Drive Southend, Tuesdays 12.45-2.30pm. 01702 610050/466827.

Pathfinders Blind and Partially Sighted Group meets every Tuesday and Friday, Fryerns Baptist Church, Whitmore Way,

Fryeris Baptist Cruitori, Winthore Way, wide range of activities and outings, Tuesdays 9.30am-2pm and Fridays 10am-2.30pm.

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Line Dancing, George Hurd Centre,
Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s,
every Tuesday and Thursday, details
01268 465854.

Chess, The George Hurd Centre,
Audley Way, Bosildon, for the supplied

Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Tuesday 1.30-3.30pm. 01268

465854.

Singles Social Group, meets The Mews, Nelson Mews off Clarence Road car park, Southend, age group 50plus, every Tuesday 8pm. 07970 432994.

Singles Friendship Club for 50 plus,

South Benfleet Social Club, every Tuesday 8.15pm, further details Maureen 01268

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   New and Nearly New Stall, outside St Martin's Church, Town Centre, Basildon, facing the gardens (if wet in church foyer), every Tuesday 10am-noon.
   Table Top Sale, Outpatients Foyer, Southend Hospital, every Tuesday 9.30am-3pm, Breathe Easy Southend, betales a propert period with
- helping support people with lung problems, 01702 258661.

#### Wednesday, November 6

- Singles Connection Friendship and Social Club, open evening at the Haywain for over 45s, Five Bells roundabout,
- tor over 45s, Five Beils roundabout, Fobbing, 8.30pm, last Wednesday of every month. 07902 252758.

  Barn Dance, Grand Ceilidh Club, Royal Naval Association, East Street, Southend, live music from Usual Suspects, 8.30pm. 01702 553622.
- Live Music, Belvedere Jazz and Music Club, The Chichester, Rawreth, Nr Wickford, Vave Jam Manhattan Transfer Style', 8-10.30pm, admission £10 on door, meals and lite bites from 6.30pm, all welcome. 07850 607075.
   Indoor Carpet Bowls, St Edmunds Hall, Pantile Avenue, Southend, every Wednesday 2-4pm, further details contact Olive 01702 309280.
   Played Bowls Before? Come and try it at FS&S Club, Gardiners Close, Basildon, all weather green, free coaching given, regular club mornings, call Chris 01268 419831.
   Breathing Exercise Group, run by Live Music, Belvedere Jazz and Music

- Breathing Exercise Group, run by Breathe Easy Basildon, Steeple View Memorial Hall, Wednesdays 1-2.30pm, if you have COPD or recently finished from Pulmonary rehabilitation call Honorie 01268 574390 for turther details.

- 01288 574390 for further details.

  Leigh Singles Social Club, Bellini's, London Road, Leigh, for ages 45-65, every Wednesday 8pm.

  www.leighsingles.co.u.k

  Social Afternoon of Ballroom and Latin Dancing, Mill Hall, Rayleigh, every Wednesday 1.45-4.15pm, with Pat and Bob. 0.1702 544112.

  Line Dancing Lessons, St Margaret's Church Hall, Lime Avenue, Leigh, every Wednesday 12.30-2.30pm, helping to raise funds for the church hall. 01268 281488. 281488.
- Afternoon Tea Dance, Richmond Hall, ■ Atternoon lea Dance, Richmond Hall High Road, Benflleet, (entrance off Richmond Avenue), large free car park, every Wednesday 2-4.30pm, 54 per person, includes refreshments, strictly over 18's. 01268 752473.

- Health Walk, Canvey Sea Wall, 10.30am, meet Labworth car park Canvey Island, every Wednesday, details 01702 318121.
- Meeting, Al Anon, International Support Group for families, wives, husbands, friends of alcoholics and other addictives, 1 Sutton Road, All Saints Church
- Toution Hodar, Albamis Oruthend, Wodnesdays 7.30pm, all welcome (non-denominational).

   Pulse Drum Club, St David's Church Hall, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, every Wednesday 3.45pm 4.45pm, 23 per session. 01702 540111.
- session. 01702 540111.

  Activity sessions, The Megacentre, 7
  Brook Road, Rayleigh, (term time only), for children with special needs aged 5-18, free admission, siblings welcome, details 01268 779100.

  Palace Writers Group, every Wednesday 7.30pm, alternating venues with the Palace and Cliffs Pavilion, open pic events and public readings planed.
- with the Palace and Cliffs Pavillon, open mic events and public readings planned, further details Emily 01702 390472.

  Meeting, Roche Art Group, St Teresa's Church Hall, located behind the Church, 109 Ashingdon Road, Rochford, Wednesdays 7.30-9.30pm, visitors welcome, further details Gill 01702
- Advanced Computer Course, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Wednesday, 9.30-11.30am. 01268 465432.

#### Thursday, November 7

- Live Music, The Maritime Room, Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, 'Chris Standring', admission £15 on door, students £7 with valid photo card, doors open 8pm, music from 8.30-11pm.
- from 8:30-11pm.

  Health Walk, Hockley Woods, 10.45am, car parking in Hockley Woods Car Park, every Thursday, details 01702 318121.

  Jive classes every Thursday at Ambleside Social Club, Ambleside Drive, Southend, from 8pm, £5 (first night free), all large welcome an ecod to briga.
- Southend, from 8pm, £5 (first night free), all ages welcome, no need to bring a partner. 07771 831507.

  Buddies Over 50 Singles Club, Anchor Pub, Benfleet, 8.30pm every Thursday, meet new friends, varied social activities, further details Jill 01268 753667.

  Meeting, Westcliff National Spiritualist Church, Hildaville Drive, Westcliff, every service we have mediums that demonstrate clairvoyance. Thursdays 7.30pm and Sundays 6.30pm.

  Pottery, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every

- Thursday 1.30-3.30pm. 01268 465854.
   Coffee, Cake and Chat, WI Hall, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh, ladies and gentlemen, join us every Thursday 2pm, further details Di 07952 148636 or Linda
- geriterieri, pin us every muisday zpm, further details Di 07952 148636 or Linda 07504 114762.

  Stalls in Outpatients Department, next to post box, Southend Hospital, books, bric-a-brac, hand knits etc. every
- brc-a-brac, hand knits etc, every Thursday 8:30am-3.30pm, all proceeds to Bosom Pals Appeal.

  Tea Dance, St James' Church Hall, Elmsleigh Drive, Leigh, ballroom, Latin and sequence, every Thursday 2-4.15pm.
- Ceramics, The George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Thursday 2-4pm, details 01268 465854.
- Why not try Carpet Bowls, The Salvation Army Hall, Elm Road, Leigh, Thursdays 2-4pm, 4, first 3 weeks free, details 01702 553546.

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  Short Mat Bowls, Willows Park, James Hornsby School, Leinster Road, Laindon, every Thursday 7.30pm, first 3 weeks free, details 01277 625027.

  Clairvoyance, Shoebury Spiritual Centre, The Sandpiper Community Centre, Sandpiper Close, Shoebury, Thursdays 8-10pm, free healing, admission £3. 01702 476087.

  Healing, The Cedars, Castle Road, Rayleigh, fully trained healers by Essex Healers Association, Thursdays 10-11.30am, all welcome.
- Theater's Association, Thirsdays 10 11.30am, all welcome.

   Meeting, Billericay Baby Cafe, Community Church, Queens Park, Billericay, for Breastfeeding mums, Thursdays (term time), 12.30pm.

#### Friday, November 8

- Runwell Art Club, lively friendly group of people wishing to expand their membership every Friday 10am-1pm, £3 per session, all abilities welcome, further details Carole 01268 560005 or Paula 01268 734436.

  Sequence Dancing, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Friday 2.15-3.15pm. 01268 465854.
- 405054.

  Book Club, George Hurd Centre,
  Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s,
  every Friday 10-11am. 01268 465854.

  Drama Classes, Helen O'Grady Drama ■ Drama Classes, Helen O'Grady Drama Academy, The Stables, Chalkwell Park Drive, Leigh, not a stage school, designed to increase children's life skills, Fridays after school, to enrol call Dina 01245 328680.

- Bargain Box Open, Pastoral Centre, St Martin's Church, Basildon (Church walk near Marks and Spencer), every Friday 10am-noon, good quality/nearly new clothes, bric-a-brac, books, videos etc, tea/coffee, all welcome, no entrance
- charge.
   Table Tennis, Laindon Community Centre, Aston Road, off High Street, for over 50s, any standard, friendly group, every Friday 11am-1pm, free parking.
- every Friday 11am-1pm, free parking.
  07931 564105.

  Table Tennis, St Andrew's Church Hall,
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- Centre, Basildon, every Friday 2pm, £2.50
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  Modern Sequence Tea Dance, St
  James' Church Hall, Elmsleigh Drive,
  Leigh, Fridays 1.45-3.45pm, details Henry
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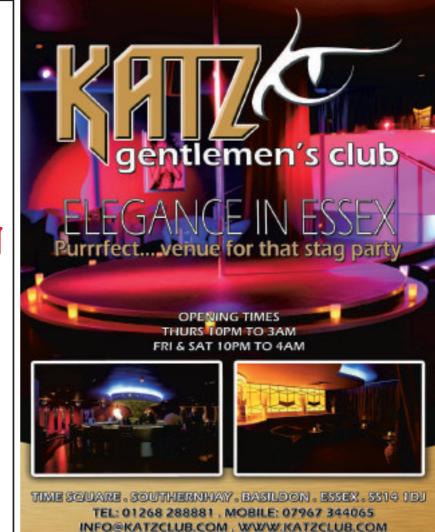
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## Blue Chutney picks up award

AN extensive selection of fine traditional Indian cuisine can be found at the Blue Chutney, thanks to its award-winning chef.

Kamrul Islam was presented with a Curry Life Chef Award during a glittering ceremony at Lancaster London Hotel on Sunday, October, much to the delight of his col-

The award puts Blue Chutney, at 31-33 The Broadway, Wickford, firmly on the map as the place to be to enjoy mouth-watering food, but outstanding cuisine is not all that is on offer at the popular

Entertainment evenings including regular tribute nights, which all include a delicious four-course set meal, are another highlight at the restaurant. Up-and-coming evenings include Elvis by Sal on November 7, for £21.95; a Rod Stewart Experience on November 8 for £23.95; He's The One, a tribute to Robbie Williams, on Saturday, November 30, for £23.95 per person; superb male vocalist Phil Hawkins on Friday, December 6, for £22.95 per person; vocalist Jade Tibbs on Saturday, December 7, for £22.95 per person; Simon James as Michael Bublé on Friday, December 13, for £23.95 per person; and Soul Town on Saturday, December 14, for £23.95 per per-

There will also be an appearance by Navi as Michael Jackson on Wednesday, December 18, for £27.95 per person; Abba Love on



Friday, December 20, for £23.95 per person; Nick Slade with his ultimate live comedy multi-tribute cabaret show on Saturday, December 21; and vocalist Tasha Leigh on Tuesday, December 31, for £32.95 per person.

Blue Chutney is also currently running a Drinks Promotion where diners are invited to come and party every Wednesday and Friday and enjoy a starter, main course, side dish, rice or nan bread from the menu (King Prawn £3.30 extra) as well as much drink as you want for one hour and 45 minutes. You must book a table to enjoy the offer, which costs just £19.95 per person on Wednesdays and £24.95 per person on Fridays, and drinks include draught Cobra

beer, Carling, wine by the glass, spirits, vodka, gin, brandy, whisky, Archers, Malibu, Baileys and soft drinks (excludes bottles of wine and champagne, and terms and conditions apply).

On Sunday and Thursday there are five course banqueting nights to enjoy in the restaurant which include one starter, any one main course, one side dish and any one sundries and coffee for just £9.95 on Sunday and £10.95 on

The Blue Chutney, which is fully licensed and offers a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, prides itself on freshly preparing all of its dishes with the finest of ingre-

As well as serving a wide range

of traditional Indian cuisines, the restaurant also has a selection of different dishes for diners to try so if you are looking for some-thing new to delight your taste buds then why not try a Blue Chutney special dish or one of the chef's recommendations?

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The Blue Chutney, which offers a full takeaway service with free local delivery, is now taking booking for Christmas, when it will be the ideal setting for festive celebrations with family, friends or work colleagues. The restaurant is also taking bookings for Christmas Day when it will be serving a choice of either a traditional festive English meal or an Indian alternative for just £39 per person, with a choice of sittings. As Christmas Day meals for children under 10 cost just £15 with the under five's eating for free, it offers fantastic value-for-money for the whole family.

Anyone interested in booking a pre-Christmas meal or Christmas Day dinner is urged to call for further information and book early to avoid disappointment.

The restaurant is open from noon to 2pm, and from 5.30pm to 11pm, from Monday to Thursday; from noon to 2pm, and 5.30pm to 11.30pm, on Friday and Saturday, and all day from 1pm to 10.30pm on Sunday.

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The Maharaja was voted best in the South East and became one of the top 10 restaurants in the UK, in the final heats of the 'Oscars' of the UK curry restaurant industry

Siraj Ali, owner of The Maharaja, aid: "To be nominated again, as one of the top 10 best Indian restaurants in the country is certainly a dream come true.

"We are always here to ensure that our customers are given the best of everything, and their loyalty and enjoyment has seen the Maharaja rewarded for its pursuit of excel-

lence in Indian cuisine and dining.
"We would like to say a huge thanks to our customers who have helped us reach the pinnacle of success in the industry

The Maharaja is an Indian restaurant full of heritage, which offers unique and exotic Royal Indian cuisine in a traditional setting fit for a Maharaia

The Ali family prides itself on pro-



viding excellence in cuisine, service and ambience for each and every diner, with authenticity and customer service at the very core.

Specialities include lobster, king prawn, salmon, trout and exotic freshwater fish from the Indian Ocean, including Tilapia, while exciting new dishes include ostrich, venison, duck, whole leg of lamb and whole chicken.

The Maharaja has a wealth of offers including 'eat as much as you like' buffet nights starting from just £9.95 per person and a la carte

options, as well as early bird deals. There are also large party discounts and a resident DJ from Thursday through to Saturday, so you can start the weekend early. Its takeaway service allows you to

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The restaurant is open from noon

to 2.30pm, and from 5.30pm to 11.30pm, from Monday Wednesday; from noon to 2.30pm, and from 5.30pm to midnight, from Thursday to Saturday; and from noon to 11pm on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

For further information, or to book a table, call the restaurant on 01268 794541 / 01268 792141 or visit www.maharajagroup.co.uk

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If you have room for more then its desserts are to die for! The restaurant has built up a reputation for its megachoice of excellent, monster-size delicious ice creams plus of course other desserts such as pancakes, waffles, chocolate fudge gateau etc. This menu has now been extended even further with new exciting ice creams on offer such as the tempting Hula Hula, Blackcurrant Bonanza, Strawbsational! and Strawberry Madness and for those who want something a little more exotic, 'A Taste of Passion', a delicious dish of ice cream, pineapple, peaches and mandarin oranges topped with passion fruit liqueur, plus many, many more fantastic offerings.

Spaghetti Junction offers a range of



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The restaurant has also introduced Gluten Free options and many of the dishes (marked gf) on the various menus can be prepared and made with ingredients, which to the knowledge of the restaurant do not contain gluten, including the pastas, There is also an extensive Gluten Free Dessert menu offering many deliciously mouth-watering dishes.

Spaghetti Junction is the ideal setting for parties of up to 30 people and is also available for private functions.

There is also a Takeaway Service

available for those who want to enjoy dishes from the A La Carte and Gluten Free menus, as well as pizza and pasta, in the comfort of their own home.

Bookings are now being taken for this year's festive season including New Year's Eve. For Christmas Day lunch the restaurant is offering a three-course set menu at £29.95 per person (three-course children's menu at £14.95) and a three-course set menu for Boxing Day lunch at £21.95 (children £10.95) Many gluten free options are available on these menus.

The restaurant, situated at 767 London Road, Westcliff (opposite Chalkwell Park), is open from Monday

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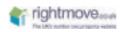
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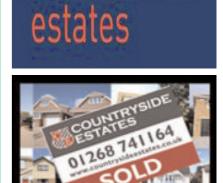






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Three Bedroom Semi Detached Family Home With Off Street Parking & Garage\ L Shaped Lounge/Diner maxi Modern Double Glazed Conservatory 11'3 x 6'10 \ Kitchen/Breakfa Room 11'7 x10'7 \Bedroom One 14'0 plus wardrobe depth x 10'7 \ Bedroom Two 9'9 x 9'5 \Bedroom Three 9'0 x 6'6 \Four Piece Bathroom Suite \ Pretty Front & Rear Gardens \ Set Well Back From The Roadsid 

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12'11 \ Kitchen/Diner 12'10 x 10'10 \ Bedroom One 11'4 x 9'11 \ Bedroom Two 13'0 x 11'0 \ Family Bathroom Suite \ Well Maintained Throughout \ UPVC Double Glazing \ Garage & Off Street Parking For Numerous Vehicles \ Ideal For First Time
Buyers \ Popular & Sought After Location \ Short Distance From Local Amenities \ Sole Agents\ Viewing Advised \ Call 01702 555888

# THUNDERSLEY \ Guide £210,000- £220,000



Three Bedroom Semi Detached Family Home \ Stun  $\label{eq:maintained} $$\Lambda = 1'11 \times 12'7 \times Kitchen/Diner 18'8 \times 9'9 \times Utility \\ Room 12'2 \times 6'2 \times Bedroom One 13'5 max \times 9'11 plus door recess \\ Bedroom Two 10'6 \times 9'1 \times Bedroom Three 8'8' \times 8'1 \times B4troom \\ $$\Lambda = 1'11 \times 10'5 \times 10'5$ Rear Garden \ Convenient Location \ Close To Hadleigh Town Centre and Woodlands \ Double Glazing \ Full Gas Central Heating \ Off Street Parking \ Sole Agents \ Viewing Advised \ Call 01702 555888

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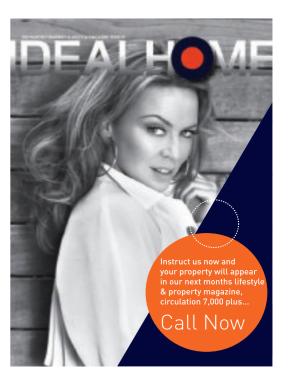
## £290,000 **SOUTH BENFLEET**







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# Leigh-On-Sea OIEO £265,000

Character three bedroom end terrace family house situated in a popular residential area of Leigh, in need of some improvements. Providing extremely spacious accommodation and benefiting from double glazed windows and gas central heating. No onward chain. Ref: ETS4821.





# Westcliff-On-Sea £150,000

Realistically priced two bedroom end terrace house which benefits from through lounge/ diner, modern bathroom, majority double glazing, gas central heating, off street parking for two vehicles and west backing rear garden. Conveniently situated for local schools, town centre and mainline stations. EPC: E Ref: ETS4809.





# Westcliff-On-Sea £175,000

Three bedroom character terraced house situated in popular residential area convenient for local amenities. The accommodation offers open plan lounge/ dining/ kitchen unit area, part double glazing and gas central heating. Ref: ETS4824.









# Prittlewell £235,000

Immaculately presented three bedroom end of terrace house which benefits from modern kitchen/ diner, good sized lounge, modern bathroom, uPVC double glazing throughout, gas central heating and garage in detached block. Ideally situated for Prittlewell mainline station and Priory Park. EPC: C Ref. ETS4813.



# Westcliff-On-Sea £500 PCM

One double bedroom first floor flat convenient for Southend Hospital, local bus routes and Chalkwell Park. The accommodation offers a open plan lounge, contemporary fitted kitchen, double glazing, communal garden and allocated parking. Unfurnished. EPC: E Ref: R1449.





# Southend-On-Sea £750 PCM

Recently refurbished three double bedroom semi detached family house with south backing rear garden. The property benefits from an attractive fitted kitchen, bathroom with separate wc, lounge and gas central heating. Unfurnished. EPC: E Ref: R724.





# Southend-On-Sea £795 PCM

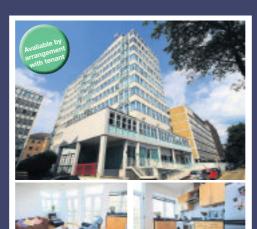
Enjoying a superb position is this two bedroom ground floor flat situated close to Southend town centre and mainline station offering spacious lounge, fitted kitchen, gas central heating and resident permit parking. Unfurnished. Avaliable immediately. EPC: G Ref: R1730





# Southend-On-Sea £650 PCM

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# Marine Estate

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## Off the Broadway

Ashleigh Stone are delighted to bring to the market this Character three bedroom Semi Detached family home located just off the popular Broadway with all its shops. cafes and bars. This lovely family home comes with a West backing rear garden and benefits from radiator heating and comprised two reception rooms, fitted kitchen breakfast room on the ground floor with three bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor.

South of the London Road

Ashleigh Stone are delighted to offer this one bedroom first and second floor duplex apartment located south of the London Road which comes with its own parking space and share of the freehold. The flat hoasts a modern hathroom and kitchen with built in appliances and we feel it











# Westcliff-on-Sea £750pcm

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# Marine Estate

Ashleigh Stone are delighted to offer this exceptional double fronted signature house on the sought after Marine Estate. The property offers spacious living accommodation with three reception rooms and a kitchen diner and four double bedrooms whilst offering much charm and character. This family home stands in good size west facing rear gardens and is within the West Leigh School Catchment area. It is also a short walk to Leigh station with the Broadway within easy reach.

# Westcliff-on-Sea £650pcm

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## Q. Is Help to Buy really going to help the market?

A. For those who don't know, this is actually the second phase of the Help to Buy scheme. The first phase - a shared equity scheme designed to help people buy new-build only homes with a deposit of as little as 5% - was launched in April, and by all accounts seems to have been quite a success

The second phase is a Government-backed mortgage guarantee scheme, enabling people to take out 95% loans to buy any property, old or new, valued at up to £600,000. It was due to start next January, but it has now been decided to launch it 3 months

What does this decision mean? Well, as from October 7, borrowers can apply for 95% mortgages to purchase both new and secondhand homes up to the price limit, with taxpayers underwriting up to 15% of the risk for lenders. One, the Royal Bank of Scotland, said it was expecting to be so inundated with applications that it would be extending its opening hours.

However, it's worth bearing in mind that it will be a phased introduction. In other words, lenders will be able to begin writing loans from this month, but the taxpayer-backed guarantee underpinning the mortgages will not be available until January, as previously planned. This means that while buyers with only a 5% deposit will be able to apply for mortgages, they will not actually get the loans through until January 1st onwards, and so will not be able to complete purchases until then.

Why did David Cameron decide to bring the start date forward? No-one really knows although the announcement did come slap bang in the middle of the party conference season. The Prime Minister himself simply talked of his passion for helping people buy their own homes, and said that support of this kind was needed sooner rather than later.

Either way, with many crucial practical details of the scheme still unclear, the announcement certainly caught much of the mortgage industry on the back foot. One leading broker called it extraordinary, given that many lenders were unsure whether they would be ready for the scheme in January, let alone October..

Still, let's not be churlish. After all, just about anything which reinvigorates the housing market has got to be worth trying!



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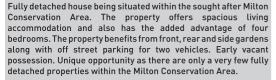


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Birthday Sale Event.

Between Saturday 26th October and Monday 4th November, the retailer is inviting local motorists to join in the celebrations at the dealership on Cherry Orchard Way, whereby all customers who purchase a Network Q vehicle will drive away with a £500 cash gift\*. Kristian Hills, Dealer Principal at Toomey, comments: "We are excited to be hosting this celebratory birthday event. Network Q is one of the most thorough and reliable used car programmes ever developed and offers customers purchasing a used Vauxhall vehicle complete peace of mind.

"We hope to welcome many members of our

"We hope to welcome many members of our local community into our showroom during the

it promises to offer a great party-like feel and we look forward to showcasing our range of Network

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The Network Q Birthday Sale Event starts Saturday 26th October and ends Monday 4th November 2013.

To discover more about Toomey's range of Vauxhall Network Q used vehicles and for additional details about the Birthday Sale Event, please visit the retailer at Automotive Retail Park, Cherry Orchard Way, Rochford, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS4 1GP.

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# motoring news



DRIVERS are being urged to keep an eye out for vulnerable road users and watch their speed now the clocks have gone back.

Cyclists and pedestrians are also being advised to "be seen and be safe". RoSPA (the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents) is also recommend-

ing that cyclists wear brightly-coloured or fluorescent clothing in daylight and reflective clothing or accessories in the dark.

By law, cycles must have front and rear lights switched on in the dark and be fitted with reflectors. And pedestrians, including joggers, are being reminded that they are hard to see if wearing dark clothing.

Latest statistics from the DfT (Department for Transport) showed a 10 per cent rise in cyclists killed on Britain's roads, with 118 dying in 2012. The number of child cyclists killed doubled to 13 and the number of seriously injured cyclists rose to 3,222.

RoSPA has campaigned for decades to make lighter evenings a reality, on the

## by Mike Torpey

grounds that more daylight on autumn/winter evenings would save lives

DfT research has shown 80 deaths and at least 200 serious injuries would be prevented on our roads each year if the UK switched to Single/Double Summer Time,

(GMT+1 in winter and GMT+2 in summer). The safety charity backed MP Rebecca Harris's Daylight Savings Bill, which was defeated at the final stage in January 2012. Tom Mullarkey, RoSPA's chief executive

said: "Although road deaths on the whole are going down, it is a huge concern to see a rise in the number of cyclists killed on our roads, especially children.

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# SHRIMPERS SLUMP DEFEAT AT NEWP

## Southend United

Newport County 3 Southend United 1

Brian Jeeves at Rodney Parade. SOUTHEND'S first visit to Newport in almost 30-years ended in defeat after a lacklustre display in South Wales.

United started brightly. Cauley Woodrow missed a glorious opportunity to open the scoring, scuffing his shot wide after racing clear of the County rearguard.

Newport responded when Daniel Bentley was forced into action to deny Conor Washington following Billy Jones' corner. Nevertheless, soon after the home side broke the deadlock. Bentley misjudged a long ball forward, leaving Washington with the simple task of slotting into an empty net.

Kevan Hurst fired a free kick dis-

appointingly high of the target after Barry Corr had been fouled, while the impressive Washington saw his run and low cross hacked away from danger by Ben Coker.

half However, as half time approached Southend drew level. Hurst was fouled and Ben Coker sent the resulting free kick beyond County goalkeeper Lenny Pidgeley into the top corner of the net, sparking wild celebrations amongst the impressive away following of almost 500.

Before the Shrimpers could build any momentum, they once again

found themselves behind. Following a corner from the left, Danny Crow headed back for Andrew Hughes to beat Bentley off the upright.

The Shrimpers tried to make some headway, but after Woodrow had fired an early chance into the side netting, the second period was largely one-way traffic with the home side pushing Southend back for long spells. County's first meaningful assault

of the half saw Ismail Yakubu headed Washington's cross firmly past Bentley to extend the lead and kill off the visitors' resistance.

Soon after, it was almost 4-1. Washington showed Prosser a clean pair of heels only to see his strike cannon back off a post and into the hands of a grateful Bentley. Then, the Shrimpers keeper produced a fantastic save from Chris Zebroski's stinging drive. Blues substitute Michael Timlin cleared Yakubu's headed effort off the line from the resulting corner.

The introduction of Jack Payne gave Southend a little more impetus, although County still looked the more potent attacking force. After Bentley had produced an

unorthodox save to thwart Robbie Willmott, Southend almost reduced the arrears when Pidgeley turned aside Ryan Leonard's long range effort.

But it was County who finished the stronger, Washington fired another chance just past a post then Bentley prevented Adam Chapman from adding to the home sides account with a spectacular finger tip

This latest setback was Southend's sixth defeat of the campaign, which leaves them thirteenth in Sky Bet League Two.

League Two.

Newport County: Pidgeley, Jackson,
James (Hughes 25) (Pipe 57), Yakubu,
Jones, Willmott, Naylor, Minshull, Chapman, Zebroski (Crow 81), Washington. Not
used: Flynn, Jolley, Redman, Stephens.
Southend United: Bentley; Auger, Kiernan,
Prosser, Coker; Leonard, Clifford (Payne
58), Atkinson, Woodrow (Reid 70), Corr,
Hurst (Timlin 58). Not used: Smith, Nije,
Edwards, Straker

Football

# **Rovers give** a five-star performance

Great Wakering Rovers 5 Greenhouse London 0 Brian Jeeves reporting from Burroughs Park.

GREAT Wakering Rovers took another stride towards promotion to the Ryman League with this five-goal victory over a Greenhouse London side who will feel slightly aggrieved at the magnitude of their defeat.

Rovers made a lightening start. After just two minutes, Billy Radley found himself in acres of space and beat Greenhouse goal-keeper Mason Durrell via an upright to give the home side the lead.

Harry Honesty went close with a couple of chances for the visitors, but before they knew it, Rovers extended their advantage. Aaron Baldwin was quickest to react, steering home from close range despite the

desperate efforts of Durrell.
Shell-shocked Greenhouse looked to regroup. Billy Pike caused the Rovers rearregroup. Billy Pike caused the Rovers rearguard some problems with his probing runs, while Andrza Mantovani came close to reducing the deficit with a couple of free-kicks, the second of which drew a smart save out of Dale Brightly.

Before the interval, both sides missed decent chances. Honesty hit the top of the bar with a neat lob over a stranded Brightly while Max Kent fired wide from close

ly while Max Kent fired wide from close range after Radley had picked him out. Rovers started the second period in much

the fashion they had the first. Baldwin beat Durrell with a crisp effort just two minutes after the restart.

Pike volleyed wide from Mantovani's corner as Greenhouse desperately looked for a foothold in the match. Nevertheless, the visitors were appreciative to keeper Durrell who spread himself to stop Ashley Hawkins adding a fourth. Soon after, the young goalkeeper had the crowd of 81 gasping in disbelief again, producing a stunning save low to his left to keep out Radley. However, after Hawkins inch perfect deliv-

ery from the left, Durrell could do very little to prevent Baldwin claiming the match ball with a neat header to make it four.
Rovers should have scored again when

Hawkins incredibly missed from almost under the crossbar. Nevertheless, they were not to be denied a fifth. Dave Collins sent over a terrific dead ball for former Southend United man Nick Skelton to head past an exposed Durrell.

This was the Rovers' tenth victory of the campaign and moved them six points clear of title rivals Enfield 1893, while Greenhouse will believe they deserved better for their labours after a hard working display. Great Wakering Rovers: Brightly, Sparrow, Kent, Collins, Hepburn, Skelton, Radley, Smith, Trenkel, Hawkins, Baldwin, Substitutes: Read, Pugsley,

Hawkins, Baldwin. Substitutes: Head, Pugsley, Ansell, Paterson, Hall London Greenhouse: Durrell, Walusimbi, Greenslade, Hussein, Akinola, Alexander, Pike, Bakare, Honesty, Mantovani, Barmwell. Substitutes: Seidu, Cookey, Martin, Oyenaga, Appiah.

# eartbreak as Gulls' wings are clipped

Biggleswade Town 1 Canvey 0 by Matthew Stanton

CANVEY'S FA cup dreams came to disapointing end, falling at the final hurdle.

The Gulls first team failed to match the enthu-

siasm of 300 travelling fans who travelled to Biggleswade with the hopes of reaching the first

proper round of the FA Cup.

The club had given free bacon rolls to all supporters who made the 74 mile journey on Saturday. On arrival at the Carslberg Stadium, the voices of Essex football fans could be be heard around the

corridors (and bar area) of the newly built facility. Talk of Canvey's mass arrival to Bedfordshire had been discussed on social media websites and Biggleswade Town FC supporters also turned up in numbers.

The stadium barely fills 150 people on home games in the league but 700 watched this game. Biggleswade Town, a team with history dating back to 1874, have never reached the fourth qualifying round of the competition.

The Waders came out the brightest and finished

victorious - despite having the less vocal support. Canvey rarely tested Wade keeper Ian Brown. Both teams looked nervous during the first half

with neither able to really get on top.

Jay Curran and Spencer Bellotti came close for Canvey but while Craig Daniels, Sam Reed and Lee Reed were instrumental for Biggleswade. In the second half, Biggleswade dominated but

failed to convert their chances.

On 47 minutes, Canvey defender Rio Bryan Edwards cleared a goal bound effort by diving and saving the ball with his face.

Twenty minutes passed and Canvey somehow survived an attack on 69 minutes when Alex

Witham fired over with the goal gaping. However, on 79 minutes substitute Brett Donnelly



DREAMS: Defender Rio Bryan-Edwards sits dejected after the final whistle

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who was able to head home from two yards out to spark celebrations amongst the Waders' supporters. The reality of a possible televised cup game

dawned on the Canvey players who showed more urgency.

New signing Warren McBean had the ball in the

net but was flagged for offside while a 30 yard freekick from Jordan Pavett was blasted over the bar. In the final minute, Bryan Edwards headed over from a couple of yards out after getting on the end of Curran's right wing cross. Biggleswade were drawn live on ITV against Stourbridge FC, based in the West Midlands.

Biggleswade Town: Ian Brown, Max York, Mark Coulson, Andrew Iwediuno, Steven Gentle, Lee Allinson, Craig Daniel, Evan Key, Sam Reed (61), Lee Reed (90), Alex Witham (87). Subs: Cameron Mawer (90), Alexander Taylor, Jonathan Woolf (87), George Smith, Callum Lewis, Brett Donnelly (61) Canvey Island: Josh Vickers, Rio Bryan-Edwards, Ashley Dumas, Matt Game, Rob Bartley, Mike Jones, Sheldon Sellears (67), Freddie Warren, Jay Curran, Spencer Bellotti (58), Harrison Chatting (85). Subs: Ellis Sands, Warren McBean (58), Jay Nash (85), Jordan Pavett (67), Nick Humphrey, James Hawes, JM Kulnig

# Season best performance as Southend put the past behind them

# Rugby

# Southend 34 Clifton 10

SOUTHEND were coming off a poor performance at Stortford last week when they welcomed Clifton to Warners Bridge Park on Saturday.

What a difference a week makes as they served up a performance which was probably the best of the season so far. Clifton had travelled from Bristol boasting five wins from seven, laying third in the table.

Southend applied pressure from the start, especially in set pieces. The forwards' scrummaging had Clifton in disarray and provided a sound platform for returning scrum half Lee Sandburg.

After only nine minutes constant

Southend scrummaging took them ever further into the Clifton half until eventually they broke away and found wing Mark Billings who danced over. Brad Burr's conversion took the score to 7-0.

Clifton were then gifted three points as a speculative pass off the ground led to a penalty in their favour, Charles Foley kick sailed between the posts. 7-3.

Things then took, what many of the Southend faithful thought, a turn for the worse when, in quick succession, two players were injured. Bradley Burr, who enjoyed his first start of the season last week had to come off. Two minutes later Adam Ferrier wrenched his knee and was replaced by Harry Hudson.

Play continuedwithout any dis-

cernible difference in the rhythm and structure, but suddenly Southend were penalised. Clifton's Foley was unable to convert the points on offer.

Almost immediately they won another

penalty. A quick breakaway led to their only try from winger Augustin Slovic, Up to third in the table and away to

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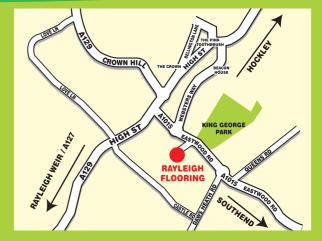


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